

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA *et al.*
ex rel. JULIE LONG,

Plaintiffs,

V.

JANSSEN BIOTECH, INC.,

Defendant.

Civil Action No.
16-12182-FDS

JOINT STATUS REPORT FOR MARCH 13, 2024 STATUS CONFERENCE

Plaintiff-Relator Julie Long (“Relator”) and Defendant Janssen Biotech, Inc.

(“Defendant”) submit this brief joint status report in advance of the March 13, 2024 status conference, ECF No. 436, to apprise the Court of the results of parties’ recent discussions regarding two of the issues identified in the parties’ filings requesting a status conference, ECF Nos. 410–411, 424–435, 429.

Subject to the Court's views, the Parties have reached agreement on the following:

1. The parties agree that September 30, 2024 is an appropriate date for the completion of Phase One fact discovery.
2. Defendant does not oppose an increase in the number of fact witness depositions Relator may take from 15 to 20, and the parties agree that Relator may only seek a further increase to the number of fact depositions for good cause.

The Parties look forward to discussing the other issues raised in their filings, and any additional issues the Court may wish to address, at the status conference.

Dated: March 12, 2024

Respectfully Submitted,

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I hereby certify on this 12th day of March, 2024, that this document filed through the CM/ECF system will be sent electronically to the registered participants as identified on the Notice of Electronic Filing.

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